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[SAD NEWS] POPULAR VOICE ACTRESS SUZU AYASE SEEN ON A MOONLIGHT TRYST WITH AN ANIME PRODUCER & TAKING HOME A FAN!
Comments (1085)
HEY, DID YOU HEAR ABOUT SUZU AYASE ..?
Whisper
WERE THOSE RUMORS TRUE!?
Whisper
Whisper
Takashi @asayse suzu You're terrible, Suzu-chan. I trusted you 1m
Matthew☆ @asayse suzu Don't make me listen to your filthy voice, you slut 1m
Negima @asayse suzu Die, you shitty bitch. 1m
Old man @asayse suzu Just hurry up and leave showbiz 2m
SHIMASHIMA @asayse suzu With that face, you must have used dirty
[Sad News] Popular VA Suzu Ayase was a bitch
Anonymous Seriously?
2 Anonymous Uwaaa

SUZU, WHAT ABOUT DINNER...?
...I'M NOT HUNGRY.
WHY WON'T ANYONE BELIEVE ME...?
I DIDN'T DO THAT STUFF...
EVEN THOUGH IT'S ALL LIES...
I DON'T HAVE...
ANYONE ON MY SIDE...
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A POPULAR VOICE ACTRESS WHO'S FALLEN FROM GRACE VS. AN EASY-GOING NEWBIE!!
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HEROINE VOICE
THERE'S ALREADY A HUGE RESPONSE! CH 2 OF THE NEW SERIES IS 58P!!
CH. 2: A VOICE ACTRESS NAMED SUZU AYASE
NORIO TSUKUDANI

HAVE YOU HEARD OF SUZU AYASE?
.....
W-WAIT A SECOND!!
YOU MET HER!?
I THOUGHT YOU'D KNOW ABOUT HER. I MET HER TODAY.
SUZU AYASE!? THE POPULAR VOICE ACTRESS!?
How do you know about her?
!!!
YOU MEAN THIS GIRL, RIGHT!?
NOT SOMEONE WITH THE SAME NAME, RIGHT!?
Wooow!
THAT'S AMAZING! SHE'S ON MAGAZINE COVERS, TOO!?
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YOU'RE SUCH A MEANIE, RENTAROU!
I'M A VOICE ACTRESS NOW TOO, SO IT JUST MIGHT HAPPEN!
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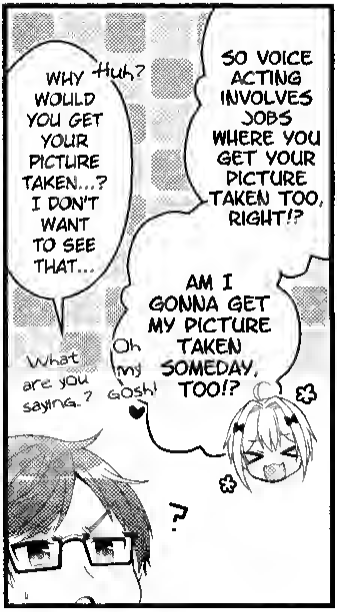
SO VOICE ACTING INVOLVES JOBS WHERE YOU GET YOUR PICTURE TAKEN TOO, RIGHT!?
Huh?
WHY WOULD YOU GET YOUR PICTURE TAKEN...? I DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT...
What are you saying...?
Oh my Gosh!
AM I GONNA GET MY PICTURE TAKEN SOMEDAY, TOO!?
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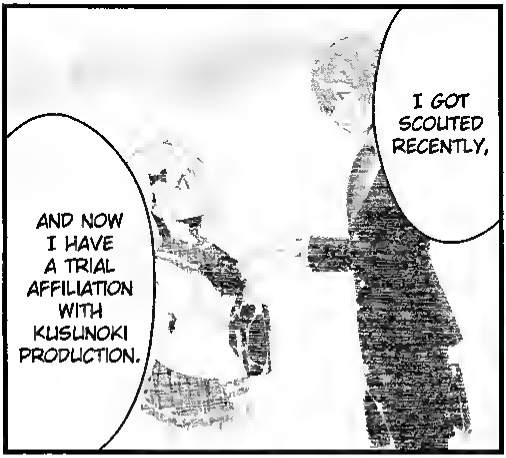

I GOT SCOUTED RECENTLY,
AND NOW I HAVE A TRIAL AFFILIATION WITH KUSUNOKI PRODUCTION.

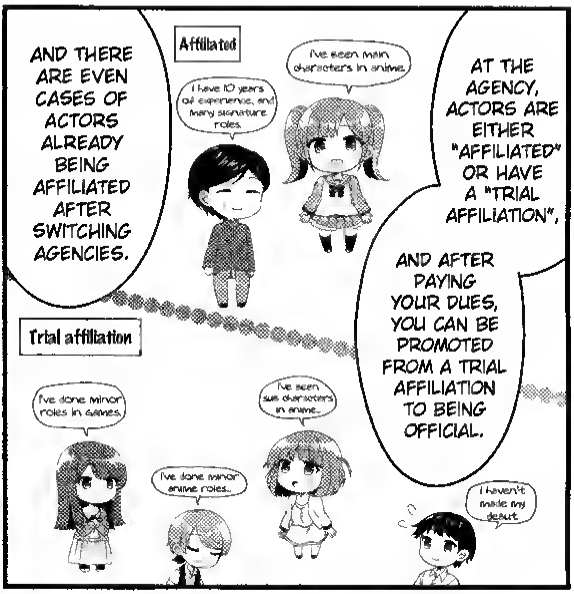
VOICE ACTRESS?
YOU'RE A...

WHAAAAAAAAT!?

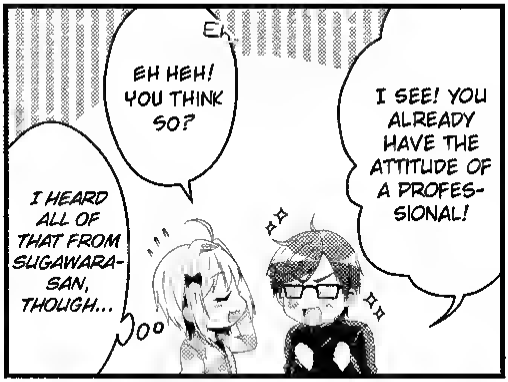
EHH...?
!?
!?
WAIT! I CAN'T KEEP UP WITH WHAT YOU'RE SAYING AT ALL!
EH? HUH? SCOUTED!?

I'VE THOUGHT FOR A WHILE,
EVER SINCE I LEARNED ABOUT VOICE ACTING AS A CAREER,
THAT OTOME'S VOICE MIGHT BE SUITED TO THAT LINE OF WORK...
And then
OTOME IS...
A VOICE ACTRESS ...!?
WHY ARE YOU SO EXCITED?
YOU'RE SO WEIRD...
じ――――h...
TO THINK THE DAY WOULD COME WHEN OTOME WOULD REALLY BE A VOICE ACTRESS...
LISTEN, REN-TAROU.
I STILL ONLY HAVE A "TRIAL AFFILIATION".
TRIAL AFFILIA-TION?
?
WHAT ANIME ARE YOU GONNA BE IN AND WHEN!?
THAT HASN'T BEEN DECIDED YET.

VOICE CAST
HARUKA MAI
YUI YOKO
UDENT A OTOME
UDENT B RISA
C YUU O
I HAVEN'T MADE MY DEBUT, SO I'M NOT EXACTLY A VOICE ACTRESS YET,
BUT THEY SAID THAT I'LL MAKE MY DEBUT ONCE I AT LEAST GET A MINOR ROLE.


AND THERE ARE EVEN CASES OF ACTORS ALREADY BEING AFFILIATED AFTER SWITCHING AGENCIES.
Affiliated
I have 10 years of experience, and many signature roles.
I've been main characters in anime.
AT THE AGENCY, ACTORS ARE EITHER "AFFILIATED" OR HAVE A "TRIAL AFFILIATION",
AND AFTER PAYING YOUR DUES, YOU CAN BE PROMOTED FROM A TRIAL AFFILIATION TO BEING OFFICIAL.
Trial affiliation
I've done minor roles in games.
I've done minor anime roles.
I've been sub characters in anime.
I haven't made my debut.

A UNIT WITH SUZU AYASE ...!?


EH HEH! YOU THINK SO?
I SEE! YOU ALREADY HAVE THE ATTITUDE OF A PROFESSIONAL!
I HEARD ALL OF THAT FROM SUGAWARA-SAN, THOUGH...

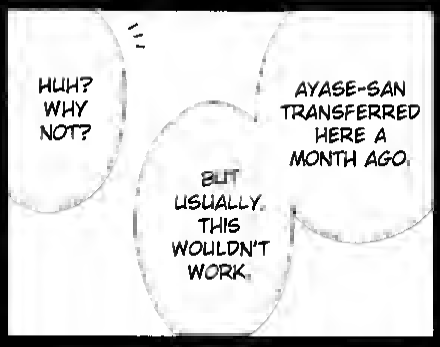
AND SO, SUZU AYASE-SENPAI IS ALSO AT THAT AGENCY...
AND THE MANAGER WAS TALKING ABOUT FORMING A VOICE ACTRESS UNIT WITH THE TWO OF US, BUT...

THAT'S NOT GONNA HAPPEN.
A VOICE ACTRESS UNIT IS THE ONLY THING
I'M ABSOLUTELY NOT DOING!!
WHOA ...!
IF THAT'S WHAT WE'RE HERE TO DISCUSS, THEN I'LL GO DO SOME SELF-TRAINING.
LET'S DISCUSS ANY FUTURE PLANS ANOTHER DAY.
U-UMM... FOR NOW, CALM DOWN, AYASE-SAN.
WAIT, AYASE-SA...

U-UMM...
Haa
AWW MAN... SO IT ENDED UP LIKE THIS AFTER ALL...
THIS IS ALL ON ME...
I MIGHT HAVE RUSHED THINGS A LITTLE TOO MUCH...
DID I DO SOMETHING TO MAKE SUZU-SENPAI MAD...?
NO. IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT. YAMADA-SAN
.....?
WELL. THAT'S NOT A BAD EXAMPLE
WHAT'S A VOICE ACTRESS UNIT? IS IT LIKE A STAND-UP COMIC DUO?
?
UM... THIS MAY BE A BAD TIME...
BUT I REALLY DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT SHOWBIZ...

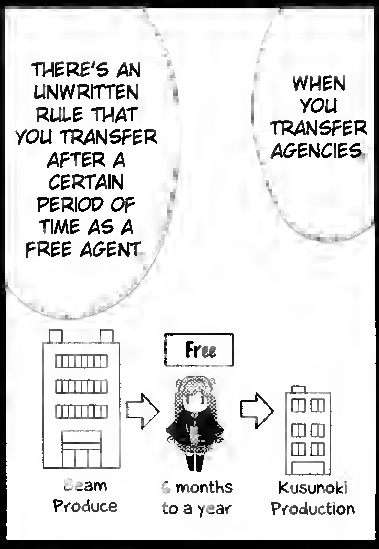
SO THEY DO THINGS OTHER THAN VOICE ACTING! THAT SOUNDS LIKE FUN!
WHY DOES SUZU-SENPAI NOT WANT TO DO IT...?
There are some that are duos,
and others with lots of members...
BUT I GUESS THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT LATELY THAT ARE FORMED WITH NO PRODUCTION TIE-INS.
VOICE ACTRESS UNITS SING AND DANCE AS PART OF THE PRODUCTION OF AN ANIME SERIES...

SO THIS PLACE WAS A SMALL AGENCY...
AND IT'S IRREGULAR FOR HER TO TRANSFER INTO A SMALL AGENCY LIKE OURS
SHE WAS AFFILIATED WITH THE MAJOR AGENCY BEAM PRODUCE BEFORE
Is this gonna be okay...?

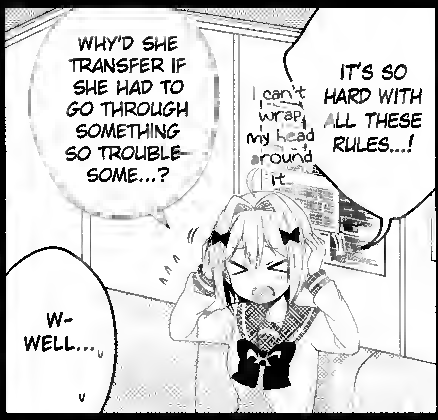

HUH? WHY NOT?
AYASE-SAN TRANSFERRED HERE A MONTH AGO.
BUT USUALLY THIS WOULDN'T WORK.

AYASE-SAN
USED TO BE IN A VOICE ACTRESS UNIT.

TRANSFERRING AFTER ONE MONTH IS FROWNED UPON BUT IT'S OKAY IF IT'S INTO AN ASSOCIATED COMPANY.
AND ONE OF THEM IS KUSUNOKI PRO.
BEAM PRODUCE HAS SEVERAL SUB-SIDIARIES.
SO THAT'S WHY IT'S AN IRREGULAR TRANSFER.


THERE'S AN UNWRITTEN RULE THAT YOU TRANSFER AFTER A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME AS A FREE AGENT.
WHEN YOU TRANSFER AGENCIES.
Free
Beam Produce
6 months to a year
Kusunoki Production

SHOULD I TELL HER?
BUT THEN YAMADA-SAN MIGHT SAY SHE DOESN'T WANT TO BE IN A UNIT, EITHER...


WHY'D SHE TRANSFER IF SHE HAD TO GO THROUGH SOMETHING SO TROUBLE-SOME...?
I can't wrap my head around it
IT'S SO HARD WITH ALL THESE RULES...!
W-WELL...

SINCE I'M HERE, I GUESS I'LL TAKE A LOOK AROUND THE AGENCY...
Does Sugawara-san tend to be pretty sloppy...?

HUH!?
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SORRY! I HAVE TO GO TO A RECORDING SESSION, SO I'LL SEE YOU LATER!

Ah!
IT'S ALREADY THIS LATE!?

IT GOES BACK PRETTY FAR...
BESIDES, ISN'T SUGAWARA-SAN BEING A LITTLE TOO SELFISH...?
IS THAT HOW THIS WORKS ...?
SUZU-SENPAI SAID SHE WAS GONNA DO SOME SELF-TRAINING,
BUT ARE THERE LESSON ROOMS HERE?
I'LL KEEP SHINING
UNTIL YOU FIND ME...
...SOME ONE'S SING-ING?
I WANT TO KEEP SHINING
WITH A BRILLIANT GLEAM
JUST LIKE THAT ONE
FIERY STAR...

BRAVO!!
ばんっ!!
WHY ARE YOU HERE...?
"Bravo"?
I'M SORRY! I GOT IN THE WAY OF YOUR TRAINING...
WHY DO YOU NOT WANT TO BE IN A UNIT?
YOU'RE SUCH A GOOD SINGER, SUZU-SENPAI! YOU WERE SO MOVING!
...THANKS.
UM, SUZU-SENPAI...
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JUST BECAUSE...
.....
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT.
THIS IS MY PROBLEM.
BECAUSE I'LL HOLD YOU BACK SINCE I'M SUCH A NEWBIE AT THIS...?
THAT'S NOT IT.
WHY DID YOU TRANSFER HERE...?
BUT IS THAT RELATED TO THIS?
SUGAWARA-SAN TOLD ME THAT YOU CAME HERE ON AN "IRREGULAR TRANSFER".

DON'T YOU USUALLY SEE THIS STUFF ONLINE?
I'VE ONLY SEE A LITTLE...
Hmm...
...NOW THAT'S A SURPRISE.
YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW ANYTHING, DO YOU?
HUH?
SO IT'S ONLY THOSE IN THE KNOW...
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...THAT MAKES SENSE.
ANYWAY, IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT THAT I DON'T WANT TO BE IN A UNIT.
THAT'S ALL YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND.
But, still!
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I WANNA TRY BEING IN A UNIT!
IT KINDA SEEMS LIKE FUN...
Eh heh heh heh...

UNITS ...
ARE JUST...
SUZU-SENPA...
UNITS AREN'T THAT EASY-GOING!!
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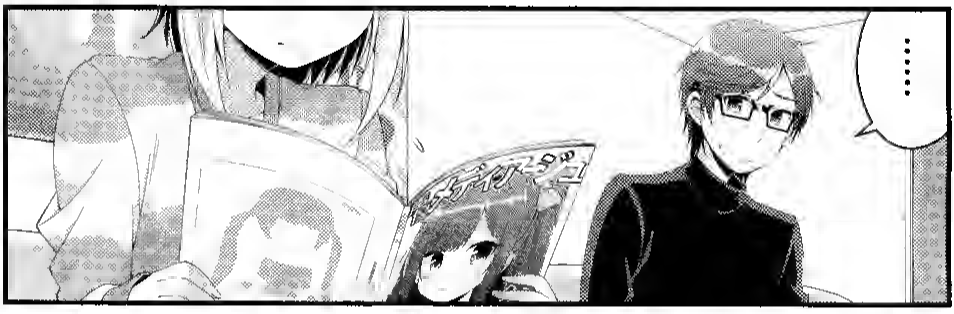
THERE ISN'T ONE GOOD THING...
ABOUT A VOICE ACTRESS UNIT...
THERE'S NO POINT EVEN IF I TELL YOU THIS STUFF...
……!

I CAME HOME TODAY...
...AND SO WITH THAT,

BUT I HAD NO IDEA THAT SUZU-SENPAI WAS THIS POPULAR...
OF COURSE SHE WOULDN'T WANT TO BE IN A UNIT WITH SOMEONE LIKE ME...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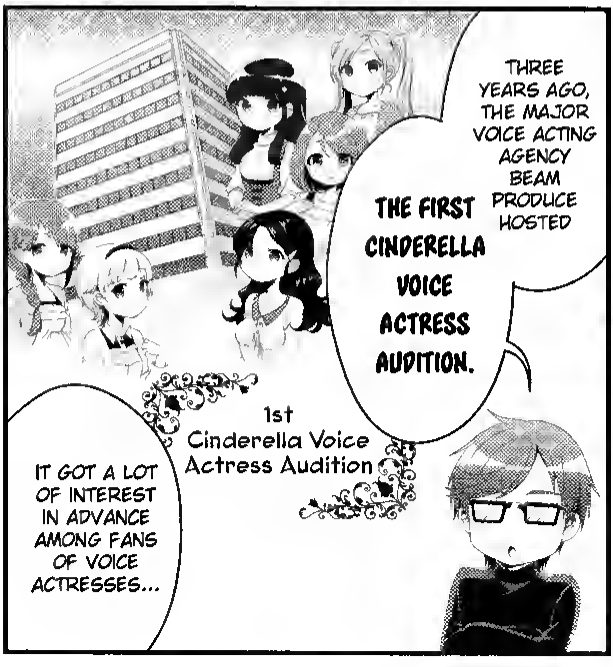
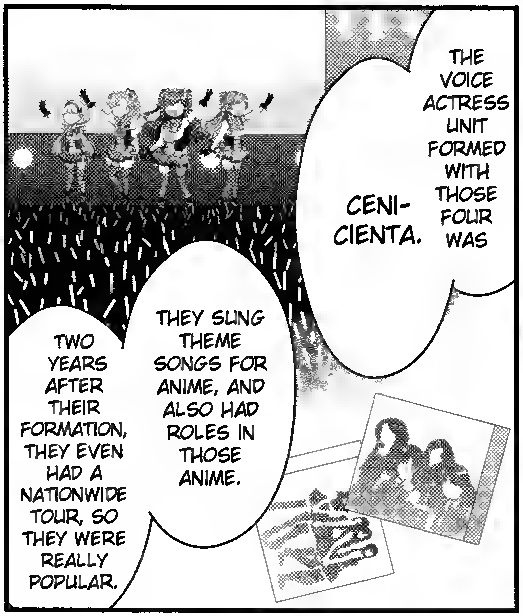
W-WELL, YOU MIGHT BE RIGHT ABOUT THAT!
THIS IS THE POPULAR VOICE ACTRESS SUZU AYASE, AFTER ALL.
IS SHE REALLY THAT POPULAR?


THREE YEARS AGO, THE MAJOR VOICE ACTING AGENCY BEAM PRODUCE HOSTED
THE FIRST CINDERELLA VOICE ACTRESS AUDITION.
1st Cinderella Voice Actress Audition
IT GOT A LOT OF INTEREST IN ADVANCE AMONG FANS OF VOICE ACTRESSES...

THREE OTHER GIRLS ALSO WON:
SERIKA KABA-SAWA,
NENEKO SASAKI,
AND ECLAIR.


THE VOICE ACTRESS UNIT FORMED WITH THOSE FOUR WAS
CENI-CIENTA.
THEY SING THEME SONGS FOR ANIME, AND ALSO HAD ROLES IN THOSE ANIME.
TWO YEARS AFTER THEIR FORMATION, THEY EVEN HAD A NATIONWIDE TOUR, SO THEY WERE REALLY POPULAR.

I SEE...
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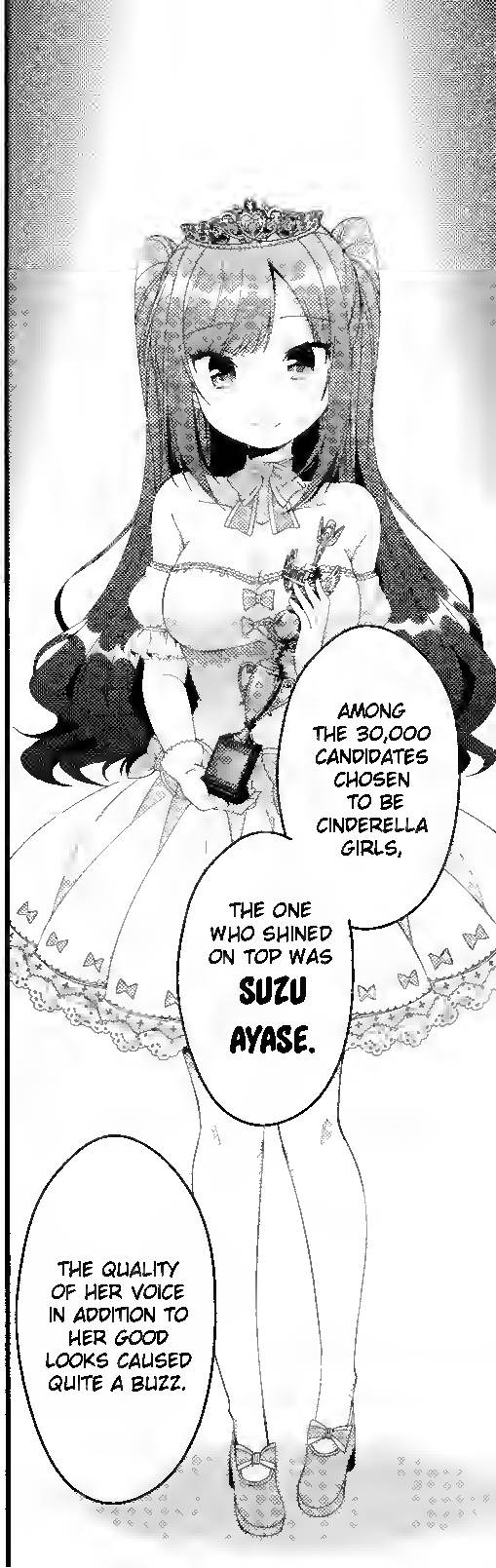
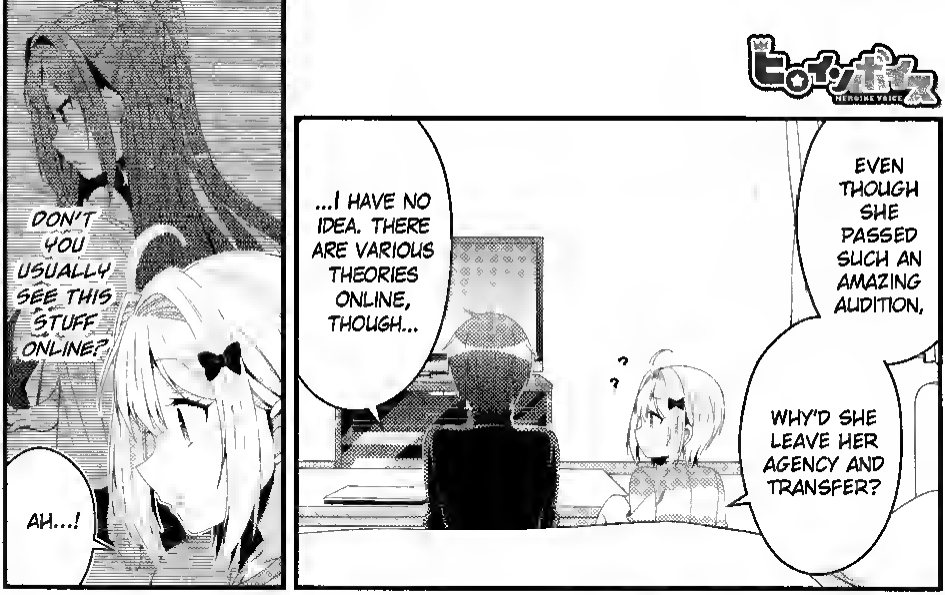
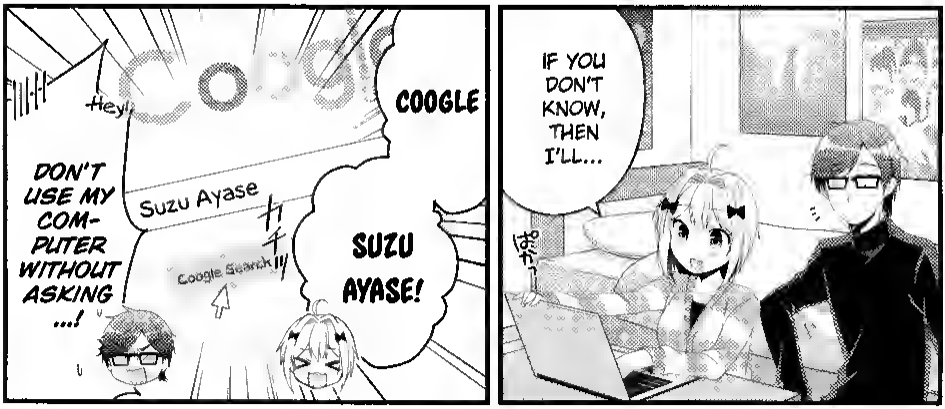
NATURALLY, I HAVE EVERY CD AND BD THEY RELEASED!


AMONG THE 30,000 CANDIDATES CHOSEN TO BE CINDERELLA GIRLS,
THE ONE WHO SHINED ON TOP WAS
SUZU AYASE.
THE QUALITY OF HER VOICE IN ADDITION TO HER GOOD LOOKS CAUSED QUITE A BUZZ.

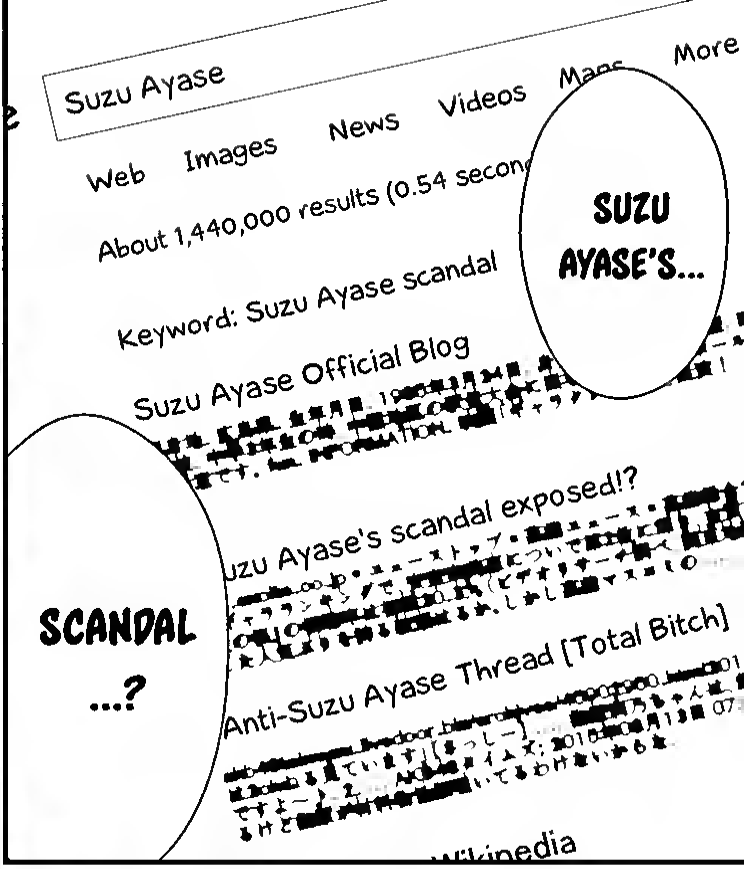

EVEN THOUGH SHE PASSED SUCH AN AMAZING AUDITION,
WHY'D SHE LEAVE HER AGENCY AND TRANSFER?
...I HAVE NO IDEA. THERE ARE VARIOUS THEORIES ONLINE, THOUGH...
DON'T YOU USUALLY SEE THIS STUFF ONLINE?
AH...!


Hey!
COOGLE
Suzu Ayase
Coogle Search
SUZU AYASE!
DON'T USE MY COM-PUTER WITHOUT ASKING ...!
IF YOU DON'T KNOW, THEN I'LL...

HUH...? WHAT'S THIS...?
STU...! DON'T LOOK AT IT!
SUZU-SENPAI'S FAMOUS, SO THERE MIGHT BE A LOT OF HITS!

WH... WHAT IS THIS? WHAT'S GOING ON?
AWW MAN...
Haa

HEY!
...YOU DON'T HAVE TO KNOW...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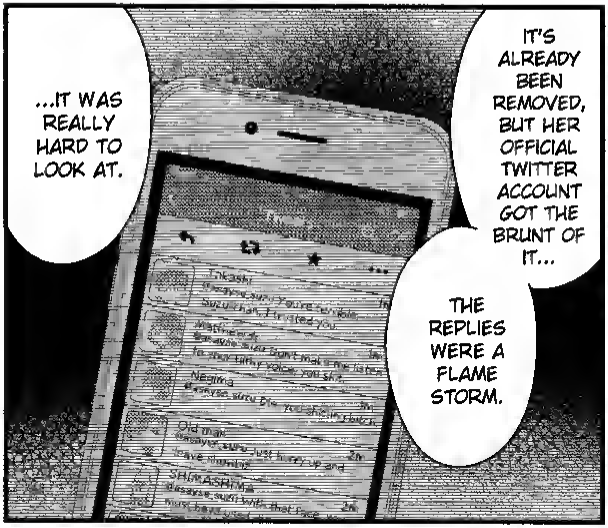
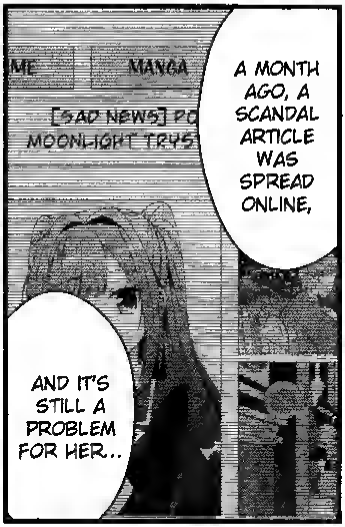
THESE ARE ONLY RUMORS, SO DON'T SAY THEM AROUND HER...

DON'T TRY TO GLOSS OVER IT!
I WANNA KNOW MORE ABOUT SUZU-SENPAI,
SO IF YOU KNOW SOMETHING, TELL ME.


...IT WAS REALLY HARD TO LOOK AT.
IT'S ALREADY BEEN REMOVED, BUT HER OFFICIAL TWITTER ACCOUNT GOT THE BRUNT OF IT...
THE REPLIES WERE A FLAME STORM.


A MONTH AGO, A SCANDAL ARTICLE WAS SPREAD ONLINE,
AND IT'S STILL A PROBLEM FOR HER...

IN THE END, SUZU AYASE LEFT THE UNIT
AND CENICIENTA RESTARTED WITH THE OTHER THREE.

AFTER THREE YEARS AS CENICIENTA, THEY HIT THEIR STRIDE
WHEN THEY WERE ALL CAST IN "I☆STAR" THAT AIRED FOR ONE YEAR.
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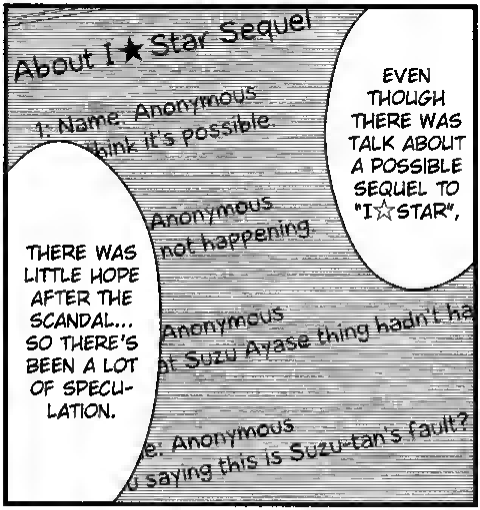
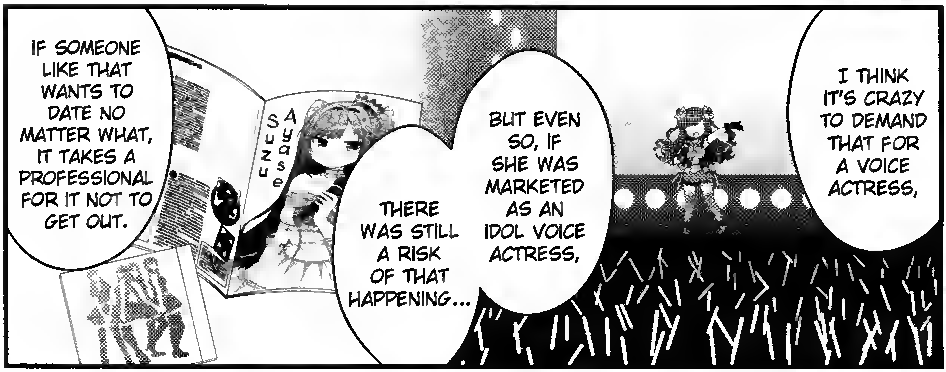

About I★Star Sequel
EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS TALK ABOUT A POSSIBLE SEQUEL TO "I☆STAR",
THERE WAS LITTLE HOPE AFTER THE SCANDAL... SO THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF SPECULATION.

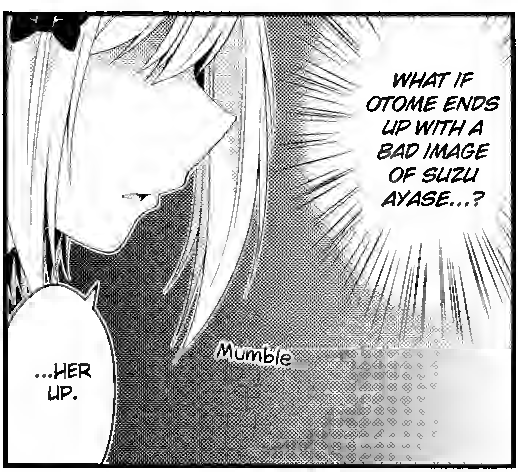
SO THAT SCANDAL CAUSED SUZU-SENPAI TO TRANSFER TO KUSUNOKI PRO...
THAT'S WHAT HE MEANT BY AN IRREGULAR TRANSFER...
I WANT HER TO STICK WITH IT GOING FORWARD...
W-WHY? SHOULDN'T THERE BE OTHER FANS LIKE YOU OUT THERE...?
BUT THINKING ABOUT IT REALISTICALLY, IT'LL PROBABLY BE DIFFICULT...
.....
SUZU AYASE WAS MARKETED AS AN IDOL VOICE ACTRESS.
AS AN "IDOL", SHE WAS BARRED FROM DATING...
SO AFTER THAT SCANDAL, IT'S NATURAL THAT SHE'D LOSE FANS
SHE HAS TO BE CAREFUL OF THAT EVEN THOUGH SHE'S A VOICE ACTRESS!?
HER SALES TOOK A NOSEDIVE...


I THINK IT'S CRAZY TO DEMAND THAT FOR A VOICE ACTRESS,
BUT EVEN SO, IF SHE WAS MARKETED AS AN IDOL VOICE ACTRESS,
THERE WAS STILL A RISK OF THAT HAPPENING...
Suzu Ayase
IF SOMEONE LIKE THAT WANTS TO DATE NO MATTER WHAT, IT TAKES A PROFESSIONAL FOR IT NOT TO GET OUT.

Sheesh!
THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T WANT TO TELL HER!
Shh...
EVEN THOUGH THEY MIGHT BE IN A UNIT TOGE-THER...

SUZU AYASE BETRAYED HER FANS...
BETRAYED HER FANS...

I DON'T KNOW IF THIS ARTICLE IS TRUE,
BUT I'M SURE...THAT SUZU-SENPAI IS HURT.


WHAT IF OTOME ENDS UP WITH A BAD IMAGE OF SUZU AYASE...?
Mumble
...HER UP.

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IN THAT CASE, I'LL HAVE TO CHEER HER UP!
ぽっ
…THAT'S RIGHT.
THERE WAS NO NEED TO WORRY. OTOME YAMADA WAS THIS SORT OF GIRL.
Heh
RENTAROU! TAKE OUT EVERYTHING FEATURING SUZU-SENPAI'S PERFOR-MANCES!
スッ
Huh!?
O-OKAY…

Kiss!

!?
THAT'LL TAKE FOREVER!
...I'M GONNA WATCH ALL OF THIS.

OTOME...

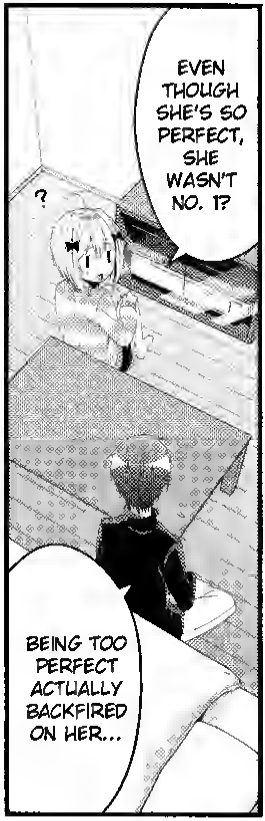
I WANT TO LEARN ALL I CAN ABOUT SUZU-SENPAI.
ジッ…

Twitch...
Bubbly
I KNOW THIS ONE!
LET'S START WITH THIS!
Huh!?
WELL... OKAY, BUT...

Ah!
"I ☆ STAR"!

...HUH?

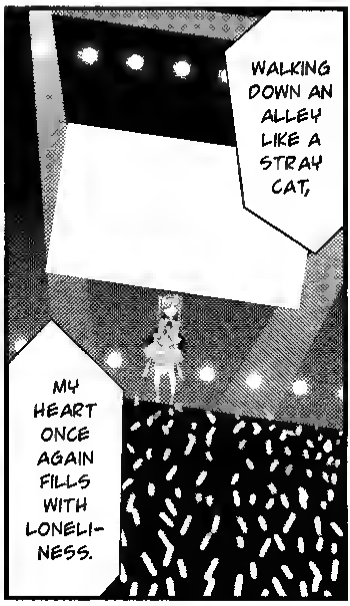
IT FEELS LIKE THIS IS THE ONLY GIRL THAT'S PRETTY GOOD.
Ah!
THAT'S SERIKA-SAMA.
Shake
Shake
TH-THE ACTING... IN THIS...
UWW... UH...
TH-THIS WAS HER DEBUT SERIES...
So just leave it at that


EVEN THOUGH SHE'S SO PERFECT, SHE WASN'T NO. 1?
?
BEING TOO PERFECT ACTUALLY BACKFIRED ON HER...

IN CENICIENTA, THE ONE WHO SHARED CENTER STAGE WITH SUZU AYASE WAS
SERIKA KABASAWA, NICKNAMED "SERIKA-SAMA".
SHE'S GREAT AT SINGING, DANCING AND VOICE ACTING,
BUT IN CENICIENTA'S POPULARITY POLLS, SHE NEVER BEAT SUZU AYASE.

SUZU AYASE HAS THIS AMBIANCE THAT MAKES YOU WANT TO SUPPORT HER.
AND SHE'S SO POLITE TOWARDS HER FANS.
ON THE OTHER HAND, EVEN WITHOUT US SUPPORTING SERIKA-SAMA,
IT FEELS LIKE SHE'LL BE FINE EITHER WAY...
AND SUZU AYASE IS SO POLISHED DURING CONCERTS!
IT MIGHT BE WRONG FOR ME TO PUSH FOR THAT WHEN IT COMES TO VOICE ACTING...
BUT I WANT YOU TO WATCH THIS CONCERT BD! I'M SURE YOU'LL UNDERSTAND HER ALLURE!
HE'S IN NERD MODE...
Poof
I see
YOU'LL BE MOVED TO TEARS FROM SUZU AYASE'S SOLO OF "FIERY STAR" AT THEIR 2-YEAR ANNIVERSARY CONCERT!
I'll put it on now!
O-OKAY...
ALL ALONE AT NIGHT IN TOWN,
A BELL REVER-BERATES OFF THE COLD ASPHALT.
HUH? THIS SONG...

I SEARCH FOR THE LIGHT...
HOW LONG MUST I KEEP WALKING
UNTIL SOMEONE FINDS ME?
I HAD NEVER SEEN SOMETHING SHINE SO BRILLIANTLY


WALKING DOWN AN ALLEY LIKE A STRAY CAT,
MY HEART ONCE AGAIN FILLS WITH LONELINESS.

NO MATTER HOW HURT I GET I'LL SHINE AGAIN.
I WANT TO KEEP SHINING WITH A BRILLIANT GLEAM
THAT WAS WITHOUT A DOUBT

I'LL KEEP SHINING UNTIL YOU FIND ME.
AS SUZU-SENPAI SINGING UP ON THAT HUGE STAGE.
I'M CLUMSY, SO THAT'S ALL I CAN DO.

THE VERY IMAGE OF A HEROINE
THAT I'VE ADMIRED FOR SO LONG.

JUST LIKE THAT ONE
FIERY STAR...

IT WAS MY FIRST SOLO SONG AND I EVEN WROTE THE LYRICS.
IT'S A VERY MEMORABLE SONG FOR ME.
THAT WAS "FIERY STAR".
Hea!
Hea!
I WAS SO UNEASY WHEN OUR UNIT HAD FIRST FORMED...
AND I EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT QUITTING.
AFTER BEING IN CENICIENTA FOR TWO YEARS NOW
I'M SO OVERJOYED THAT I CAN PERFORM AT A HUGE VENUE LIKE THIS
AND ABOVE ALL ELSE...
BECAUSE OF ALL THE SUPPORT FROM THE OTHER MEMBERS, ALL OF THE STAFF, MY FAMILY...
SUZU AYASE WAS ABLE TO MAKE IT THIS FAR
DURING TIMES LIKE THAT, THE OTHER MEMBERS SUPPORTED ME AND I SOMEHOW MADE IT ALL THE WAY HERE.

IT'S THANKS TO ALL OF THE FANS...
WHO HAVE SUPPORTED ME...!
I LOVE SINGING AND DANCING...
BUT I KNOW THAT I'M INEXPERIENCED AS A VOICE ACTRESS...
SO I'LL KEEP WORKING ON IT MORE AND MORE!
PLEASE LET SUZU AYASE KEEP GROWING
FROM NOW ON WITH ALL OF YOUR HELP!
SUZU-SENPAI'S CRYING...
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WHAT ABOUT YOU...?

Huh...?
WHEN DID I START CRYING ...?
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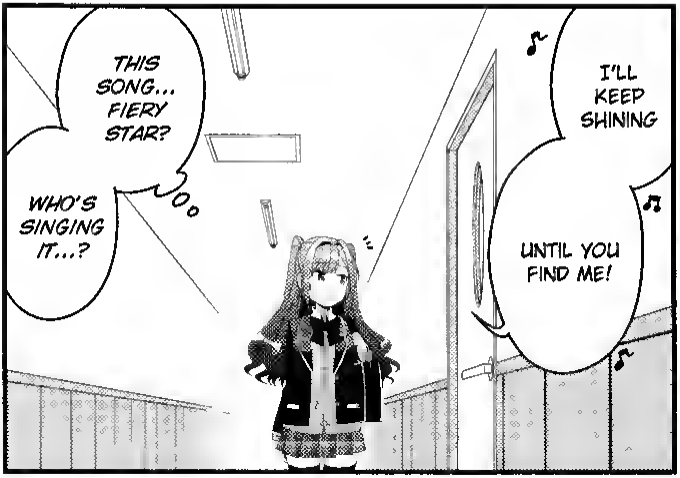
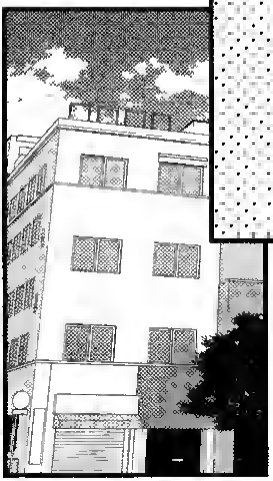
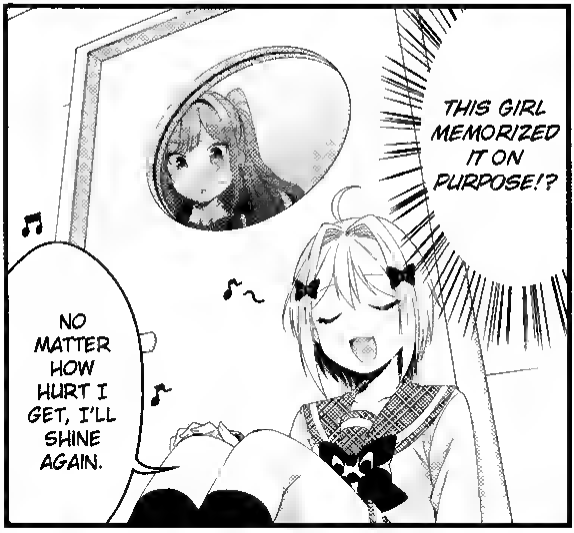
YOU'RE CRYING, TOO...
THE ONE I STRONGLY FELT I WANTED TO CHEER ON WAS OVER-WHELMINGLY SUZU-SENPAI.
THIS IS SUZU AYASE'S CHARM...
THE OTHER GIRLS ALSO PERFORMED WELL,
BUT...

WELL, THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO BELIEVE...
BUT WHAT ABOUT THOSE PHOTOS?
...REN-TAROU...
WASN'T THAT SCANDAL JUST A LIE...?
BUT... WOULD SOMEONE WHO WORKS SO HARD
REALLY DO SOMETHING THAT'D BETRAY HER FANS?
SUZU-SENPAI WAS TRULY THANKFUL FOR ALL HER FANS,
AND CRIED BECAUSE OF IT.
I WONDER...
WHICH SUZU-SENPAI IS THE REAL ONE...?
I CAN'T BELIEVE...
THAT THOSE TEARS WERE A LIE...


THIS SONG... FIERY STAR?
WHO'S SINGING IT...?
I'LL KEEP SHINING
UNTIL YOU FIND ME!




THIS GIRL MEMORIZED IT ON PURPOSE!?
NO MATTER HOW HURT I GET, I'LL SHINE AGAIN.

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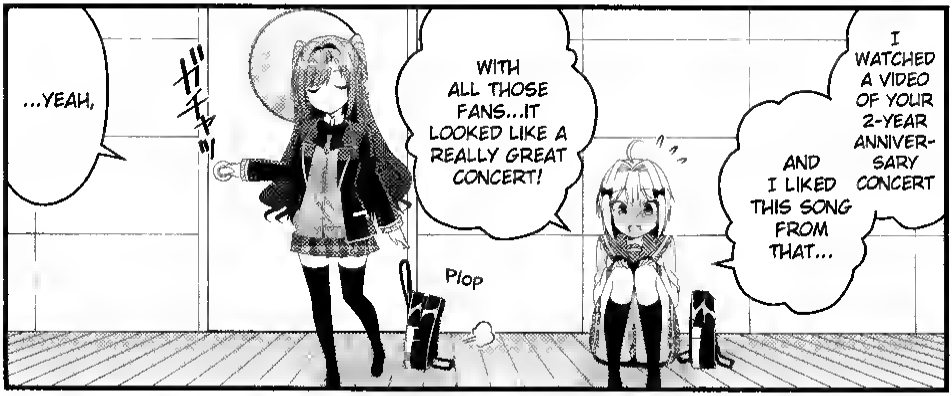
I'M CLUMSY, SO THAT'S ALL I CAN DO.

THAT'S SO NOSTALGIC... DURING THE 2-YEAR ANNIVER-SARY CONCERT...
I PERFORMED FIERY STAR IN FRONT OF EVERYONE,
AND I WAS SO OVER-COME WITH EMOTION THAT I STARTED CRYING...

I WANT TO KEEP SHINING WITH A BRILLIANT GLEAM
JUST LIKE THAT ONE
FIERY STAR...

I CAN'T GET IN. MOVE.
Knock Knock
I'M SORRY!!
Waaaa!
SUZU-SEN-PAI !?
Y-YOU WERE HERE!?
Knock Knock


...YEAH,
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WITH ALL THOSE FANS...IT LOOKED LIKE A REALLY GREAT CONCERT!
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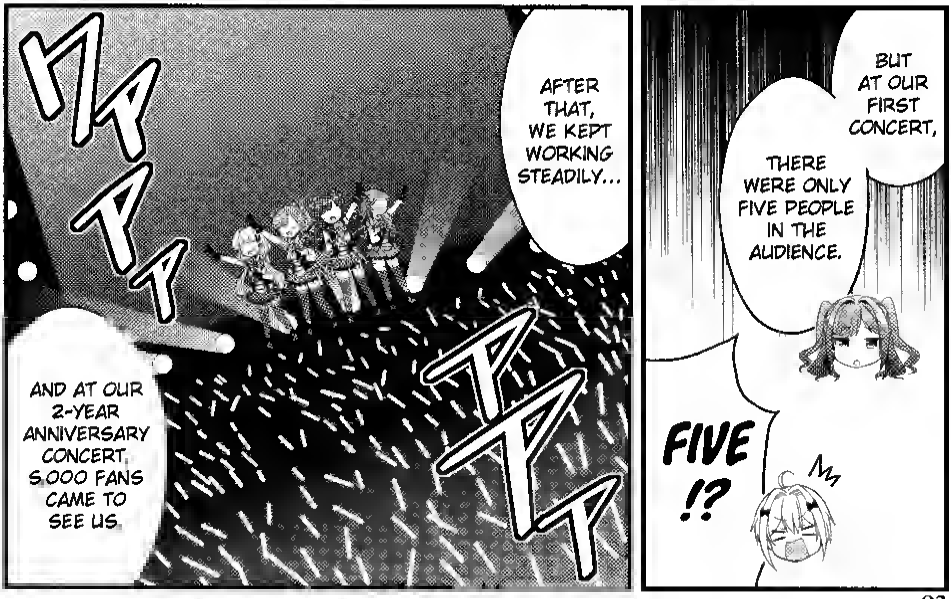
I WATCHED A VIDEO OF YOUR 2-YEAR ANNIVER-SARY CONCERT
AND I LIKED THIS SONG FROM THAT...


AFTER THAT, WE KEPT WORKING STEADILY...
AND AT OUR 2-YEAR ANNIVERSARY CONCERT, 5,000 FANS CAME TO SEE US.
BUT AT OUR FIRST CONCERT,
THERE WERE ONLY FIVE PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE.
FIVE !?

Ah...!
SUZU AYASE IS HERE BECAUSE OF ALL THE FANS.
I COULDN'T HAVE BECOME A VOICE ACTYRESS BY MYSELF...
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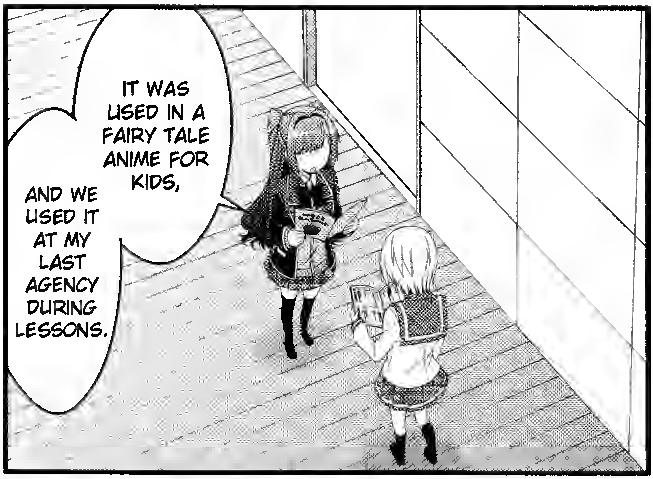
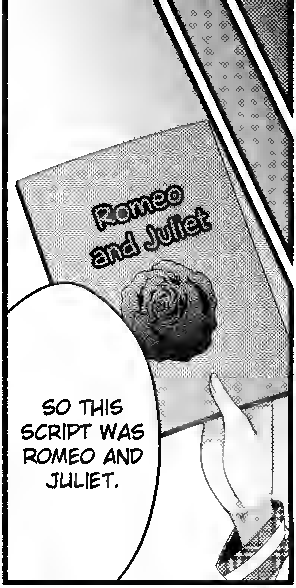
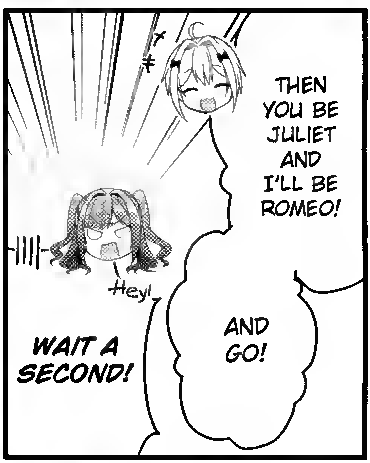
...I-I'VE TALKED A LITTLE TOO MUCH.
IF YOU'RE HERE TO PRACTICE, I'M GONNA HEAD HOME.
HUH!?
WHAT SHOULD I DO!? SUZU-SENPAI'S LEAVING!!
...HUH?
My bag
SUZU-SENPAI!!
WANNA ACT OUT A SCENE!?


IT WAS USED IN A FAIRY TALE ANIME FOR KIDS,
AND WE USED IT AT MY LAST AGENCY DURING LESSONS.


Romeo and Juliet
SO THIS SCRIPT WAS ROMEO AND JULIET.

I'VE READ THIS A BUNCH OF TIMES IN MY LESSONS ...
BUT THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME, RIGHT?
YOU DON'T WANT TO LOOK OVER IT FIRST?


THEN YOU BE JULIET AND I'LL BE ROMEO!
Hey!
WAIT A SECOND!
AND GO!

PICTURE BOOKS...? CAN YOU REALLY DO THIS? I SWEAR...
AND I'VE READ ROMEO AND JULIET A BUNCH OF TIMES IN PICTURE BOOKS!
IT'S OKAY! I JUST TOOK A ROUGH LOOK THROUGH IT!

All right! I'M GONNA GO ALL OUT!
I'M GONNA GET SUZU-SENPAI TO SEE HOW MOTIVATED I AM!
USUALLY, IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT CAN BE DONE RIGHT AFTER JUST READING IT ONCE, THOUGH...
Romeo and Juliet
SO SHE'S JUST AN AMATEUR, AFTER ALL. I DOUBT SHE'S THINKING ABOUT AN ACTING PLAN OR ANYTHING.
BUT SHE'S JUST PLAYING AROUND, SO I GUESS IT'S OKAY...

...IT IS MY LADY.

WHA ...!?
WHAT IS THIS!?
OH, IT IS MY LOVE!
OH, THAT SHE KNEW SHE WERE!
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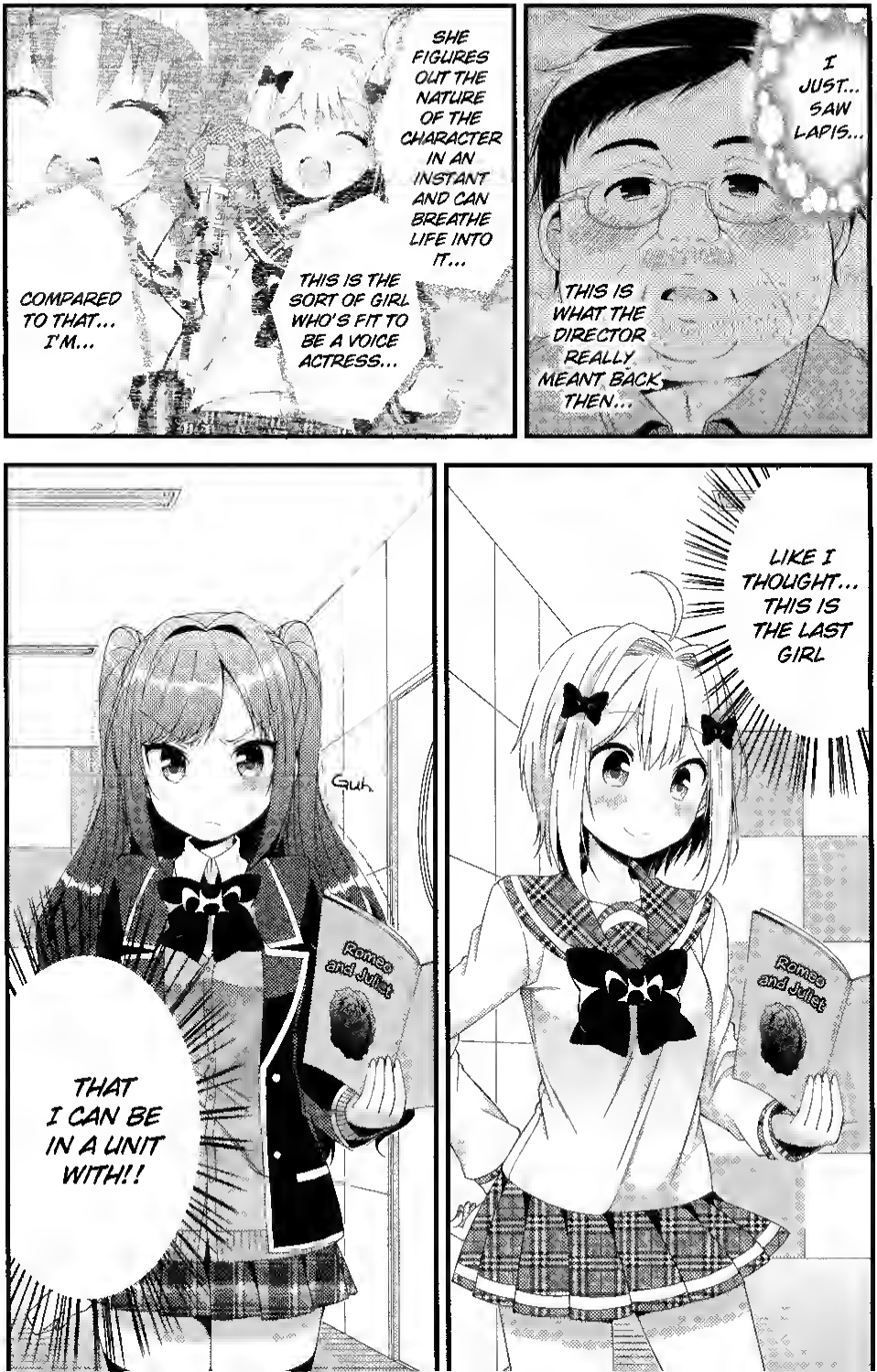
JUST AROUND THIS GIRL,
SHE SPEAKS YET SHE SAYS NOTHING: WHAT OF THAT...?
HER EYE DISCOURSES!
I CAN SEE THE STAGE OF ROMEO AND JULIET...!
O...OH ROMEO, ROMEO!
WHERE-FORE ART THOU ROMEO?
...WHY?
EVEN THOUGH SHE'S THE EMBODI-MENT OF ROMEO,
DENY THY FATHER AND REFUSE THY NAME;
OR, IF THOU WILT NOT... BE BUT SWORN MY LOVE!
Yeah, that's good.
WHY CAN'T I...
Romeo and Juliet
EMBODY JULIET!?
Rome
and Jul


SHE FIGURES OUT THE NATURE OF THE CHARACTER IN AN INSTANT AND CAN BREATHE LIFE INTO IT...
THIS IS THE SORT OF GIRL WHO'S FIT TO BE A VOICE ACTRESS...
COMPARED TO THAT... I'M...
I JUST... SAW LAPIS...
THIS IS WHAT THE DIRECTOR REALLY MEANT BACK THEN...
LIKE I THOUGHT... THIS IS THE LAST GIRL
Romeo and Juliet
Guh
Romeo and Juliet
THAT I CAN BE IN A UNIT WITH!!

I WANNA PRACTICE WITH HER AGAIN!
I FEEL LIKE I GOT A LITTLE CLOSER TO SUZU-SENPAI YESTER-DAY!♪
IS SHE GONNA BE IN THE LESSON ROOM AGAIN TODAY?
THE NEXT DAY
I CAN'T BE IN A UNIT WITH OTOME YAMADA-SAN.
WE JUST MIGHT BE ABLE TO FORM A UNIT WITHOUT ANY PROBLEMS, TOO...
WAS THAT... SUZU-SENPAI'S VOICE?
Twitch
...HUH?

WAS I THE ONLY ONE THAT THOUGHT WE HIT IT OFF...?
SO THEN I'M NOT A GOOD MATCH FOR A POPULAR VOICE ACTRESS LIKE SUZU-SENPAI, AFTER ALL...
WHY NOT...? BECAUSE I'M AN AMATEUR...?
DID MY MOTIVATION NOT GET THROUGH TO HER...?
Slide...
WHEN I WAS READING LINES WITH HER YESTERDAY,
I REALIZED THAT SHE'S CUT OUT TO BE A VOICE ACTRESS...
I HATE TO ADMIT IT, BUT SHE'S MUCH BETTER THAN ME...
THAT GIRL HAS ACTING TALENT.

BESIDES, THAT ARTICLE...
IT'S HARD TO OVERTURN THE IMAGE YOU HAVE,
BUT YOU CAN WORK HARD TO CLEAR THAT UP!
YOU KNOW ABOUT MY SCANDAL, RIGHT?
YEAH... I WAS FILLED IN WHEN YOU TRANS-FERRED...
WAS JUST A MADE-UP LIE!
...A LIE!?
...EVEN IF IT'S A LIE, SOCIETY DOESN'T BELIEVE THAT.
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DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE RISK OF PUTTING ME IN A UNIT?
INSIDE THE INDUSTRY AND EVEN ONLINE...
THAT GIRL WOULD GET THROWN INTO A HORNET'S NEST ALONG WITH ME!

I'M FINE. I THOUGHT ABOUT QUITTING AS A VOICE ACTRESS ONCE,
AND I FEEL THAT THIS IS MY LAST CHANCE,
SO I DON'T WANT TO CAUSE ANY PROBLEMS FOR OTHERS.
PLUS, THAT GIRL...
WILL DEFINITELY BE A BETTER VOICE ACTRESS THAN ME!
I DON'T WANT HER TALENT TO GO TO WASTE BECAUSE OF ME!!
SO THEN THAT SCANDAL ARTICLE ABOUT YOU
WAS... A LIE, RIGHT?

YOU...! YOU WERE THERE ...!?
Ah!
I LOOKED UP A LOT ABOUT YOU,
AND THE MORE I LEARNED, THE MORE OUT OF PLACE THAT ARTICLE FELT...
AND THAT'S WHEN I REALIZED
THAT WHAT YOU'VE CONSIS-TENTLY SAID...
IS THAT YOU FEEL GRATEFUL TOWARDS YOUR FANS,
AND THAT YOU'RE HERE NOW BECAUSE OF THEM.
I COULD NEVER BELIEVE THAT SOMEONE LIKE THAT WOULD DO SOMETHING TO BETRAY HER FANS.
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I DON'T KNOW WHY SOMEONE WROTE A FAKE ARTICLE ABOUT YOU...

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THERE ISN'T... ANYONE LIKE THAT...
BUT THERE'S NO WAY EVERYONE BELIEVES THAT'S EVERYTHING YOU'RE ABOUT!
EVEN NOW, I THINK YOU HAVE FANS CHEERING FOR YOU!
I CAN PUT UP WITH IT IF THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT ME...
BUT PEOPLE SAYING THIS AND THAT ABOUT YOU BECAUSE OF ME...
IS SOME-THING I CAN'T BEAR...!
YOU DON'T KNOW BECAUSE YOU'VE NEVER GONE THROUGH
THE DREAD AND PAIN OF A LOT OF PEOPLE ATTACKING YOU!!
ANIME
MANGA
THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THE AGONY... OF PEOPLE SPREADING FALSE RUMORS ABOUT YOU!!
...YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT.

...HUH?

I'M RESILIENT!
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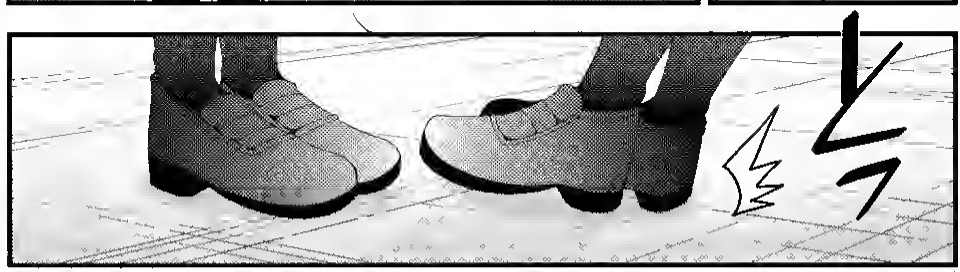
HUH ...?
AND NO MATTER WHAT ANYONE SAYS ABOUT US FROM NOW ON,
WE CAN SHARE IT TOGETHER!

I'M OBLIVIOUS, SO I DON'T NOTICE WHEN SOMEONE IS BAD MOUTHING ME...
AND MY CHILDHOOD FRIEND EVEN GETS MAD AT ME ABOUT IT.
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING TRIVIAL LIKE THAT...



LET'S HALVE THE SAD TIMES
AND DOUBLE THE HAPPY TIMES!
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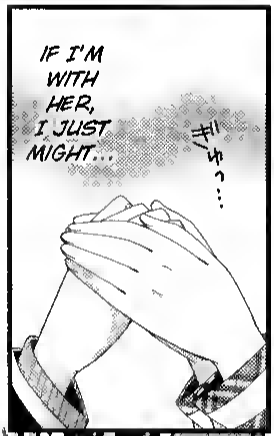
OKAY?

NO MATTER HOW MUCH I SAID THAT IT WAS A LIE.
NO ONE WOULD LISTEN TO ME.
AFTER THAT ARTICLE CAME OUT, EVERYONE DISTANCED THEM-SELVES FROM ME.


IF I'M WITH HER, I JUST MIGHT...
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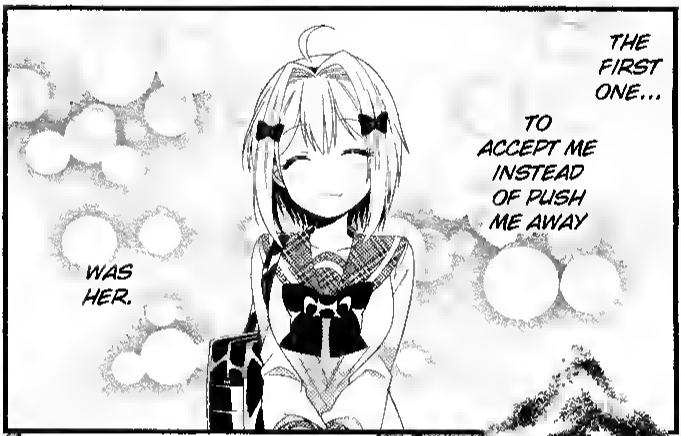
THE FIRST ONE...
TO ACCEPT ME INSTEAD OF PUSH ME AWAY
WAS HER.

IF YOU HATE IT THAT MUCH, THEN WHY DON'T YOU QUIT?
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ALL YOU'VE GOT GOING FOR YOU IS THAT FACE.
YOU'RE JUST A FACE VOICE ACTRESS, SUZU-CHAN.
THERE ARE PLENTY OF GIRLS
WHO COULD REPLACE YOU
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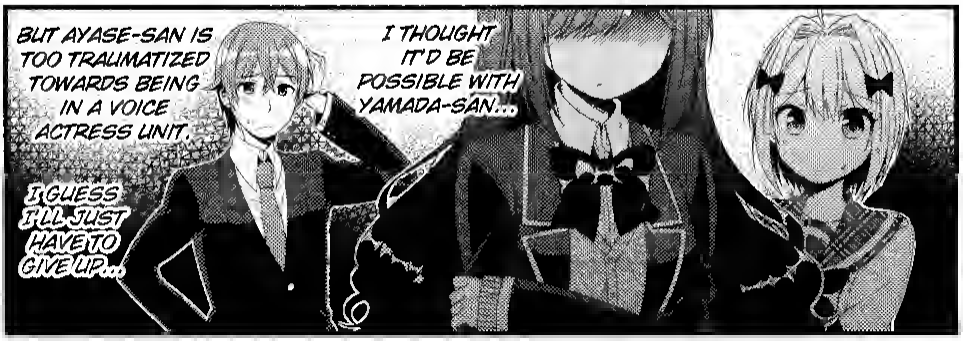
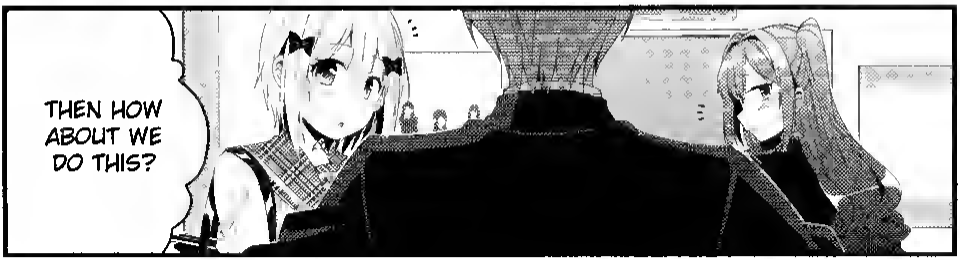
IF IT WERE POSSIBLE... I'D LIKE TO DO IT WITH HER... BUT...
SUZU-SENPAI...
...NO,
I STILL CAN'T BE IN A UNIT WITH YOU...


BUT AYASE-SAN IS TOO TRAUMATIZED TOWARDS BEING IN A VOICE ACTRESS UNIT.
I GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO GIVE UP...
I THOUGHT IT'D BE POSSIBLE WITH YAMADA-SAN...

AYASE-SAN'S TEARS JUST NOW
WERE DEFINITELY A RESULT OF WHAT YAMADA-SAN SAID,
BUT SHE'S STILL REALLY AGAINST BEING IN A VOICE ACTRESS UNIT.

...WAIT A SECOND.

IF I JUST GET THEM CLOSER BY DOING SOMETHING ELSE TOGETHER FIRST...!!


THEN HOW ABOUT WE DO THIS?

WHY DON'T YOU TWO START OFF
BY WORKING TOGETHER BASED ON SENIORITY?

SENIOR-ITY...
YOU'RE BOTH IN THE SAME AGENCY, AND IN THAT CASE, YOU'LL BE...

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OKAY!!
LET'S DO THAT FOR NOW!!

IF WE DO THAT, THAT WON'T CAUSE PROBLEMS FOR HER... I GUESS...

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Hey!
WHY DID YOU CORRECT YOUR-SELF!?
SOMEDAY, I'LL DEFINITELY MAKE YOU SAY THAT YOU'LL WANT TO BE IN A UNIT WITH ME, SUZU-SENPAI...
SUZU-CHAN!!
THIS DOESN'T BODE WELL FOR THIS UNEVEN COMBINATION.
THIS IS ONE STEP FORWARD... I GUESS.
Eh heh heh♥
I thought we'd feel closer this way!♥
Just stick with Senpai!!

TO BE CONTINUED